

Hearing Date: March 4, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. (ET) / 9:30 a.m. (AST)  
Objection Deadline: December 5, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. (ET) / 4:00 p.m. (AST)

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

In re:

THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO,	:	PROMESA
	:	Title III
as representative of	:	Case No. 17-BK-3283 (LTS)
THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, <i>et al.</i> ,	:	(Jointly Administered)
Debtors. <sup>1</sup>	:	

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**NOTICE OF HEARING ON SIXTH INTERIM APPLICATION OF MEMBER OF  
OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, FOR REIMBURSEMENT  
OF EXPENSES FOR JANUARY 2019**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a hearing on the annexed *Sixth Interim Application of Member of Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors for Reimbursement of Expenses for January 2019* (the “Application”) filed by American Federation of Teachers, as member of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “Committee”),<sup>2</sup> will be held before the Honorable Laura Taylor Swain United States District Court Judge, at the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico, in Room 3, 150 Carlos Chardón Street, Federal Building,

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Office 150, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918-1767 on **March 4, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. (ET) / 9:30 a.m. (AST)** (the “Hearing”).

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that any responses or objections (“Objections”) to the Application by any party other than the Fee Examiner shall be in writing, shall conform to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the District of Puerto Rico, shall be filed with the Court (a) by attorneys practicing in the District Court, including attorneys admitted *pro hac vice*, electronically in accordance with rule 5 of the Local Rules for the District of Puerto Rico, and (b) by all other parties in interest, by submitting a hard copy via mail to the Clerk’s Office, United States District Court, Room 150 Federal Building, San Juan, PR 00918-1767 or by hand delivery to the Clerk’s Office, United States District Court, 150 Carlos Chardon Avenue, Room 150, San Juan, PR 00918, to the extent applicable, and shall be served in accordance with the *Second Amended Order Setting Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals* [Docket No. 3269] (the “Interim Compensation Order”), so as to be so filed and received by the Notice Parties (as defined in the Interim Compensation Order) no later than **December 5, 2019 3:00 p.m. (ET) / 4:00 p.m. (AST)** (the “Objection Deadline”).

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that, in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order, if no Objections are timely filed, and if the Fee Examiner issues the Fee Examiner Report (as defined in the Interim Compensation Order) recommending approval of the Application in full or in part, the court may grant the Application without a hearing.

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Dated: November 15, 2019

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UNSECURED CREDITORS, FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR  
JANUARY 2019

COVER SHEET

Name of applicants:	American Federation of Teachers (“ <u>AFT</u> ”)
Authorized to provide professional services to:	Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “ <u>Committee</u> ”) <sup>2</sup>
Date of appointment:	June 15, 2017
Period for which reimbursement is sought:	January 2019 (the “ <u>Application Period</u> ”)
Amount of interim expense reimbursement sought as actual, reasonable, and necessary:	\$869.86

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**DETAIL OF EXPENSES DURING APPLICATION PERIOD**

**AFT<sup>3</sup>**

Description	Expense Category	Total Expenses
Mark Richard's Travel & Lodging for Committee Meeting in San Juan on January 18, 2019	Roundtrip Airfare (economy) from Miami to San Juan and San Juan to Miami	\$555.00
	Taxis	\$14.86
	Lodging, San Juan, Condado Plaza Hilton (1/17/19 to 1/18/19)	\$300.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$869.86</b>	

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<sup>3</sup> The supporting receipts of AFT are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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**SIXTH INTERIM APPLICATION OF MEMBER OF OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF  
UNSECURED CREDITORS, FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR PERIOD  
OF JANUARY 2019**

To the Honorable United States District Judge Laura Taylor Swain:

Pursuant to the *Second Amended Order Setting Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals* [Docket No. 3269 in Case No. 17-3283], American Federation of Teachers (“AFT,” or the “Committee Member”), as member of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “Committee”),<sup>2</sup> appointed in the above-caption Title III cases, hereby files this *Sixth Interim Application of Member of Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors for Reimbursement of Expenses for Period of January*

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2019 (the “Application”). By this Application, the Committee Member seeks allowance of its claims for reimbursement of reasonable, actual, and necessary expenses that it incurred in the amount of \$869.86 during the Application Period. In support of this Application, the Committee Member respectfully represents as follows:

### **BACKGROUND**

1. On May 3, 2017, the Oversight Board commenced a Title III case for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (the “Commonwealth”) by filing a voluntary petition for relief pursuant to section 304 (a) of PROMESA (the “Commonwealth Title III Case”). Thereafter, the Oversight Board commenced a Title III case for each of COFINA, the Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (“ERS Title III Case”), the Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority (“HTA Title III Case”), and the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (“PREPA Title III Case”) (and together with the Commonwealth Title III Case, the “Title III Cases”). By orders dated June 29, 2017 [Docket No. 537] and October 6, 2017 [Docket No. 1417], the Court approved the joint administration of the Title III Cases.

2. On June 15, 2017, the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Puerto Rico (the “U.S. Trustee”) filed a *Notice Appointing Creditors Committee for Unsecured Creditors* [Docket No. 338], pursuant to which Committee Member, among others, was appointed to serve on the Committee.

3. On August 23, 2017, the Court entered the *Order Setting Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals* (as amended, the “Interim Compensation Order”).<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> The Interim Compensation Order was most recently amended on June 6, 2018 [Docket No. 3269].

4. The Interim Compensation Order provides that “[e]ach member of any statutory committee is permitted to submit statements of expenses (excluding third-party professional expenses of individual committee members) and supporting vouchers to the respective committee’s counsel, which counsel shall collect and submit for reimbursement in accordance with the Interim Compensation Procedures.” Interim Compensation Order, ¶4.

5. On August 25, 2017, the U.S. Trustee filed an *Amended Notice of Appointment of Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors* [Docket No. 1171], which expanded the role of the Committee to be the official committee for the HTA Title III Case, the ERS Title III Case, and the PREPA Title III Case.

6. In accordance with the Interim Compensation Order, expense reports for the Committee Member’s out-of-pocket expenses in the aggregate amount of \$869.86 were submitted to the Notice Parties (as defined in the Interim Compensation Order) in respect of expenses incurred by the Committee Member during the Application Period. This amount has been paid in full.

#### **RELIEF REQUESTED**

7. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order and section 503(b)(3)(F) of the Bankruptcy Code, made applicable to these cases by section 301(a) of PROMESA, the Committee Member respectfully requests interim allowance of its reasonable, actual, and necessary expenses incurred in rendering services as a member of the Committee during the Application Period in the amount of \$869.86.

#### **NOTICE**

8. In accordance with the Interim Compensation Order, Paul Hastings will provide notice of this Application to (i) the attorneys for the Oversight Board, Proskauer Rose LLP and O’Neill & Borges LLC; (ii) the attorneys for the Puerto Rico Fiscal Agency and Financial

Advisory Authority, O'Melveny & Myers LLP and Marini Pietrantoni Muñiz LLC; (iii) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Puerto Rico; (iv) the attorneys for the Official Committee of Retired Employees, Jenner & Block LLP and Bennazar, García & Milián, C.S.P.; (v) the Puerto Rico Department of Treasury; (vi) the Fee Examiner, Brady Williamson; and (vii) counsel to the Fee Examiner, Godfrey & Kahn, S.C. and EDGE Legal Strategies, PSC. In addition, the notice of hearing with respect to this Application will be served on all parties that have filed a notice of appearance in the Title III Cases.

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## **CONCLUSION**

WHEREFORE, the Committee Member respectfully requests entry of an order

(i) allowing the Committee Member's claims for reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred during the Application Period in the amount of \$869.86 and (ii) granting such other and further relief as is just.

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